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DEATH.

At the Peak Hospital, Hongkong, on the 2nd inst., after a long and painful illness, HENRY JOHN SMITH, aged 86 years.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 3RD 1909.

GRAVE issues, we are told, are raised by the overwhelming vote by which the House of Lords has refused to pass the Budget, since it challenges an appeal to the country, not merely on the principles of the Budget, but "on the existence of the House of Lords and the Constitution." In the first place, in the words of Mr. BALFOUR, the rejection of the Budget means bringing "the whole of the executive machinery of the country to a standstill"; in the words of Mr. ASQUITH it means "financial and administrative chaos—profound and far-reaching, fraught with injustice to individuals and danger to the State, and carrying in its train consequences which he would be a bold man to forecast or foresee." "That way revolution lies," said Mr. ASQUITH in his speech at Birmingham a couple of months ago, "involving, as I venture to predict it will, issues far wider, far deeper, than the mere right of the House of Lords to meddle with finance." Mr. ASQUITH added that the Liberal Party were not only ready but anxious, not only anxious but eager, to take up the challenge. To-day's telegram tells us that the Premier, before going to the country, invites the House of Commons to declare that the action which the Upper House has taken is a breach of the Constitution and a usurpation of the

rights of the House of Commons. These are big words, and we think the Premier will find considerable difficulty in justifying them. The preamble of the Finance Bill embodying the Budget proposals reads as follows:—

Most Gracious Sovereign.—We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled, towards raising the necessary supplies to defray your Majesty's public expenses, and making an addition to the public revenue, have freely and voluntarily resolved to give and grant unto your Majesty the several duties herein-after mentioned; and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same.

Nothing more is necessary to clearly establish the fact that the House of Lords does not exist merely for the purpose of automatically registering the will of the House of Commons on financial questions; it clearly is entitled to denounce, and refuse its assent to, the financial as much as any other proposals the House of Commons may submit for its approval, and we are unable to perceive how in exercising the powers clearly given them in the preamble of the Finance Bill they have become guilty, in Mr. ASQUITH's words, of a breach of the Constitution and usurpation of the rights of the House of Commons.

Of this Finance Bill it may be said that no legislative proposal of the House of Commons has received so much attention from the Upper House since Mr. GLADSTONE'S Home Rule Bill. The average attendance of Peers in the House of Lords, we believe, is less than thirty, out of a full assembly of 616, consisting of 3 Princes of the Royal Blood, 2 Archbishops, 22 Dukes, 23 Marquesses, 24 Earls, 40 Viscounts, 24 Bishops, 334 Barons, and 18 Scottish and 28 Irish Representative Peers. The voting on Lord LANSDOWNE'S motion showed an attendance of 425—only 35 fewer than voted in the division on the Home Rule Bill. It is not improbable that the attendance on Monday night was even larger than when the Home Rule Bill was rejected, because, as we have learnt from the recent telegrams, many Peers intended to abstain from voting, including Lords ROSEBERT and CROZIER and the whole body of Spiritual Peers, most of whom were doubtless present to hear the speeches on an occasion which may or may not mark an epoch in the con-

stituents will probably shout themselves very hoarse in the coming election, crying "Down with the House of Lords," we need not take too seriously Mr. ASQUITH's prediction of a revolution. This kind of talk was indulged in when the Lords rejected the Home Rule Bill. Lord LANSDOWNE'S motion with regard to the Finance Bill contains no suggestion of a veto; it simply affirms the principle that the people rule. Therefore, if with no uncertain voice the country returns the present Government to power with a mandate to insist on the enactment of the financial arrangements to which they stand committed, that will settle the matter.

The service was taken by the Bishop of Brixton (Rev. F. T. Johnson, the Cathedral Chaplain) and the Rev. C. E. Thompson (in charge of the Missions to Seamen). The hymns sung during the service included "Eternal Father, strong to save," "Praise the Lord, ye heavens adore Him," and "Oh God our help in ages past."

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Similar services were being held in other parts of the British Empire, and it was felt that Hongkong ought to have such a service this year, all in this Colony surely owing a deep debt of gratitude to the seafarers, most of whom had all been brought here in safety over the sea, and we depended on the mariners to bring us the necessities of life. Modern life would be impossible but for the services they rendered.

Many times when they thought of their hardships, their heroism, and the way they endured separation, and the monotony of the lives they spent upon the sea, they desired to show their gratitude to them, and his Lordship, here mentioned that one way of doing this would be to support the Missions to Seamen. Here in Hongkong he had found that landmen were ever ready to show their appreciation of the work of that Mission, and he mentioned the large sum recently contributed for the new Institute. The offering at that service would be devoted to the Missions to Seamen.

Proceeding to deal with his text his Lordship pointed out three plain facts and three simple duties. The facts were (1) There is a God; (2) God is great; (3) God is near; and the duties were (1) to acknowledge God; (2) to obey God; (3) to trust Him. His Lordship preached on these subjects in homely and direct language an impressive sermon.

The National Anthem was sung after the Benediction.

Many in Hongkong, especially among the seafaring community, will regret to learn of the death of Mr. Henry John Smith, who for upwards of 37 years has been connected with the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., latterly as manager of the Cosmopolitan Dock. He was 68 years of age, and had been ailing for some time past. Mr. Smith died in the Peak Hospital yesterday. The funeral will pass the Monument at 4.30 this afternoon.

Speaking at a S.P.C.K. meeting at Hastings recently the Rev. Lord William Cecil said people must not think that China could be converted by the white man. No one had a greater respect for the white missionary than he, for no one better knew what they had suffered; yet they were not the tools with which China would be converted. The missionary to China must be a Chinaman. He must, however, be well educated and able to answer the questions put to him by the materialist.

A series of theatrical performances are being given nightly at present in the Taiping Theatre, Des Vœux Road West, on behalf of the Hongkong University Fund. Already tickets to the value of \$10,000 have been sold, and as there are three more days and nights to run the committee hope to hand more than \$10,000 over to the fund. On Wednesday night H. E. the Governor, H. E. the General Officer Commanding and party attended the performance, and last night the Hon. Mr. Brewin and Mrs. Brewin, accompanied by a party, were present, while to-night Sir Henry May and Lady May attend the performance.

"THE NATIONAL SERVICE
FOR SEAFARERS."

A special service for Seafarers (on the lines of that held annually in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, on Trafalgar Day) was held last night, commencing at 9 p.m., in St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong. There was a gratifying attendance of seafaring men belonging to the navy and the mercantile marine. The congregation included H. E. the Governor (Sir Frederick Lugard), attended by Captain Mitchell Taylor, A.D.C., and Captain Simson, Private Secretary; Captain John Nicholas, H.M.S. *Flora* (the senior naval officer at present in port); Commander F. Acton, H.M.S. *Tamar*, Major H. E. Evans, R.M.L.I., H.M.S. *Tamar*, Commander Basil Taylor, R. N. (Harbour Master); Captain P. H. Rolfe, Younger Brother of Trinity, master of the s.s. *Yuenlong* (who, we believe, was largely instrumental in arranging for the service), Captain A. E. Hodgins, Captain Thomas and many others.

Among representatives of the shipping interests of the port we noticed the Hon. Mr. Grosson, head of the firm of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.; Mr. E. F. Autout, of the firm's shipping department; Mr. A. Sinclair, the firm's marine superintendent, and others.

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Proceeding to deal with his text his Lordship pointed out three plain facts and three simple duties. The facts were (1) There is a God; (2) God is great; (3) God is near; and the duties were (1) to acknowledge God; (2) to obey God; (3) to trust Him. His Lordship preached on these subjects in homely and direct language an impressive sermon.

The National Anthem was sung after the Benediction.

THE MERRYMAKERS.

As advertised, the Merrymakers will make their first appearance in Hongkong at the Theatre Royal on Monday night next, the 6th December. Coming as they do with an excellent reputation, they should be sure of receiving a good reception here from local theatre-goers. Every one of the artists of the Company we are informed have great reputations in connection with their various turns, having performed with the greatest success in most of the leading English and American Theatres. The entertainment is on variety lines with comic songs, dances, singers and musicians, assisted by Zeno the Marvel, the only great rival to Cinguevali, the greatest living juggler in the world, and in Zeno one sees things performed which can hardly be credited.

The Merrymakers present a drawing room entertainment entirely free from vulgarity. In anticipation of a heavy booking the public are advised to book early at S. Montric & Co. to secure good seats.

HOW TO BE BEAUTIFUL—Keep your complexion, Mrs. Ellen's Crème Charmant, Last Charmant and Special Skin Tonic and Pouder Charmant will enable you to do it. Her Specialities for the Skin are the study of a lifetime. A. S. Watson & Co. Ltd. Sole Agents

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TELEGRAMS.

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TYphoon in the Japan Sea.

TOKYO, December 1st.

The S.S. *Kisakata Maru*, from Dairen to Yokohama with a cargo of beancake, founded in a typhoon off Shimonoseki on Monday night. The ship went down with all on board.

Many other casualties are reported as a result of the typhoon.

[ANOTHER'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."] THE CANADIAN BISHOP OF HONAN.

LONDON, December 2nd.

At Toronto a Canadian clergyman named White has been consecrated Bishop of Honan.

[HIS SEE will be the Northern half of the province, while Bishop Bannister will have jurisdiction over the Southern portion.]

ADMIRAL FISHER'S SUCCESSOR.

LONDON, December 2nd.

It is officially announced that Admiral Sir Arthur Wilson, C.B., replaces Sir John Fisher (recently elevated to the Peerage) as First Lord of the Admiralty from January 25th.

AGAINST THE LORDS.

MR. ASQUITH'S RESOLUTION OF REMONSTRANCE.

LONDON, December 2nd.

Mr. Asquith has postponed his visit to Sandringham Palace.

When the Premier entered the House of Commons the Ministerialists rose and cheered him.

It is announced that the Premier

will to-day move a resolution affirming that the House of Lords in refusing to pass the financial provisions for the year has been guilty of a breach of the Constitution and a usurpation of the rights of the House of Lords.

It is understood that Parliament will be prorogued on Friday.

Mr. Asquith has not given notice of any amendment in regard to the levying of taxes, and it is assumed that they will continue to be levied as now.

THE TEA DUTY.

LONDON, December 2nd.

The Committee of the Tea Buyers Association announce that they have the strongest grounds for stating that whatever may be the result of the election, the tea duty of 5d. per lb. will be re-imposed, and the Customs

have agreed to accept the duty during the interregnum. The Committee urges all sections of the trade to pay the duty and carry on the business as before.

THE CHINESE NAVAL COMMISSION.

LONDON, December 2nd.

The Chinese Naval Commissioners have returned to London.

The ships at Plymouth yesterday dressed rainbow fashion, Chinese ensigns being hoisted with the British

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 2nd at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen moderately over N. China and fallen slightly over Formosa and the S. coast of China. Pressure is high over the Yangtze valley, and still low over the Pacific to the N.E. of Japan.

Fresh monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood [N.E. winds, moderate; lino.

Formosa Channel [N.E. winds, fresh.

South coast of China between [Same as No. 1.

Hongkong and Amoy [Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between [Same as No. 2.

Hongkong and Hainan [Same as No. 2.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, December 2nd.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (PRESIDENT JUDGE).

ALLEGED BREACH OF CONTRACT.

Mr. R. A. Ford sued Mr. W. H. Embrey to recover \$500, balance due under an agreement dated September 8th, for the purchase by the defendant from the plaintiff of the furniture and goodwill belonging to the plaintiff in the house at 74, Caine Road.

There was a counter-claim by the defendant, which set forth that the plaintiff was a widow, and formerly carried on the business of a boarding-house keeper at 74, Caine Road. The defendant now carried on the business of a boarding-house keeper at No. 43, Robinson Road. He was induced to make

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

M. R. JULIUS HELMS has this day been Authorized to Sign my Firm for Procurement.

A. GOEKE.
Canton, 1st December, 1909. [1478]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"GOBEN," having arrived Consignment of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 9th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 9th inst. at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 13th inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

This Steamer brings Cargo
Ex. S.S. "CANOT" from Venice.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1909. [5]

BOAED AND RESIDENCE.

WANTED BOARD AND RESIDENCE WITH an English family on one of the Higher Levels. Verandah and View of the Harbour not absolutely essential but preferred.

Reply to—

M. G. B.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1909. [1476]

E. J. R.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

APPLICATIONS, which should be addressed to the REGISTRAR GENERAL, are invited for the post of CHINESE TRANSLATOR in the Supreme Court. The Salary of the post is \$1,680 a year, rising to \$2,040.

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary,
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1909. [1467]

VICTORIA REGATTA.

FORTY-NINTH MEETING.

TO be held on SATURDAY, 11th Dec., 1909, Under the Distinguished Patronage of H.E. THE GOVERNOR, H.E. MAJOR-GENERAL BROADWOOD, COMMODORE H. LYON, R.N., HON. SIE HENRY MAY, HON. H. BASIL TAYLOR, etc. etc.

The Committee of the V.R.C. request the pleasure of the Company of the Ladies of Hongkong on SATURDAY, 11th December, at the Reclamation Bay View, kindly lent by Messrs. Fenwick & Co.

Miss HUTTON POTTS has kindly consented to present the Prizes at the conclusion of the Meeting.

The Secretary's Launch will leave the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB at 12 NOON, sharp.

Admission to enclosure and stand, \$1.

Tickets may be obtained from the Steward, V.R.C.

Band will be in attendance.

Through Train Service every few minutes.

B. L. BEIDGEER,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1909. [1473]

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IN AID OF THE
POOR CHINESE ORPHANS
OF THE
ASILE DE LA SAINTE ENFANCE,
Under the Distinguished Patronage of
HIS EXCELLENCE

SIR FREDERICK LUGARD, K.C.M.G.,
C.B., D.S.O.

THE FRENCH SISTERS have the honour to announce that their ANNUAL BAZAAR will be held at the CITY HALL on THURSDAY, the 9th inst., at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

They request the presence of the Public in order to inspect the different Needle and Fancy Works made by their Poor Orphans.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1909. [1468]

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DERRINGTON, PEAK ROAD, NO. 8.
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Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [1140]

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II. FIRE FUNDS 3,204,553 7 10

THE UNDERSIGNED AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.

Agents

Mongau, 2nd December, 1909. [103]

NOTICE.

HAVING been appointed AGENTS in Hongkong for the WHITFIELD INSURANCE COMPANY, we are prepared to accept approved European and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON.

Hongkong, 18th August, 1909. [1033]

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Hongkong, 26th October, 1906. [1314]

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AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE UNDERSIGNED have received instructions from W. D. GRAMM, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction.

TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 3rd DECEMBER, 1909, at 2 p.m. within his Residence, "Hawthor," No. 10, Peak, the Peak.

THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Effects, including a COTTAGE PIANO, by E. Kraus, Stuttgart;

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TERMS.—As Usual.

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Hongkong, 27th November, 1909. [1455]

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1909. [1474]

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(Continued from page 3)

so-called nuisance stands and described its present use as a decoration of one of the gateways of the Colony. Now, sir, there is a gateway of this city of no small importance. It is the pier of the Star Ferry Company. I travelled over the other day with a globe-trotter from a mail steamer on one of the Star Ferry steamers, and as we approached that pier we saw in enormous letters the word Powell. Having some acquaintance, sir, with the Far East generally and with Hongkong in particular I thought this was an advertisement of a new brand of what might be called by euphemism whisky; but on getting closer I found from other words on the placard that it did not refer to anything so pernicious but to something perhaps more dangerous, "military and underworld." (Laughter.) On landing at the stage we found a rambunctious matchstick which flies into the air on the occasion of every gal. Now, sir, I would ask the hon. mover of the resolution to endeavour, if he is anxious for the good appearance of this gateway of the Colony, to move his hon. seconder, who has some concern with the management of the Star Ferry Company, to at any rate remove that horrible advertisement. (Hear, hear, and laughter.) It cannot be worth more than ten cents a month to them, and I might add that he should do something to beautify the matchstick. (Hear, hear.) It can very easily be done, with the matchsticks erected for Chinese theatres which are quite ornamental. (Applause.)

HON. MR. OSBORNE.—Am I in order, sir?

HIS EXCELLENCE.—You are only in order in making any personal correction:

HON. MR. OSBORNE.—The hon. Colonial Secretary referred to the matchstick at the Star Ferry wharf and its general untidiness and called upon the mover of this resolution to move me to get that nuisance remedied. I can only say, sir, that as soon as the Government will move, the Star Ferry Company will move. The Star Ferry Company asked the Government's permission some years ago to do the very thing spoken of, and they have not yet got an answer. (Laughter.)

HON. MR. STEWART.—Your Excellency, I have nothing material to add to what I have already said on the subject. I am very glad indeed that the hon. Colonial Secretary has committed himself to sympathy with the hope underlying this resolution. There is one point, I made against the unofficial members which I think can be turned. He said we did not realise the difficulties in which the Government were placed by the necessities of these great public works which they had been called upon to undertake. Well, I think there can be no better proof of the public's realisation of those difficulties than the fact that those who have tried to serve that public have sat silent so long under the nuisance complained of. It was only when answer to certain questions which I asked gave me the impression that the yard was only required for the Post Office that I felt justified in giving expression to those feelings as I have done to-day. I pointed out that the nuisance is admitted, not altogether at any rate, justified by that necessity. Part of it is admittedly devoted to other purposes. If sawing wood is the only thing to be carried on there I do not see any reason for the existence of those matchsticks at all. If nobody lives there, as we were given to understand at the last meeting, except watchmen, they could live in very small hovels, and the matchsticks could be removed and the sawing of timber done while it is done out in the open. If there were none of those tattered and ramshackle matchsticks there, for only wood, the yard would not be half so objectionable as it now is. I appeal to your Excellency to intervene in this matter and to exert your influence to have removed at any rate the matchsticks that are complained of.

HON. MR. STEWART.—I would like to explain—I did not make it quite as clear as I ought to have—that the whole of the joinery and carpentry for the Post Office, which is a building covering nearly half an acre of ground and three times as large as Jardine's, is done in those matchsticks. I don't think it reasonable to ask that the work should be done in the open in all sorts of weather.

HON. MR. STEWART.—Does it need two stores?

HON. MR. OSBORNE.—It can be done in the Post Office itself.

HON. MR. STEWART.—Not the whole of the work. Part of it might.

HIS EXCELLENCE.—I presume the hon. member who proposed this resolution does not wish to press it to a division. I may say the Government are fully in sympathy with the object, and I myself am very fully in sympathy with it, but I take some exception to the wording of the resolution. That is really going rather further than the meaning of my words: I mean to say that the word nuisance is one which I think may carry a wrong construction in this connection. Building operations when carried on in such localities as the Law Courts and Post Office, the repair of roads, permanent roads in the city which involve the use of tar macadam, naturally are nuisances in the ordinary conversational acceptation of the term. They are great nuisances in that sense, but I am most anxious that the nuisance should be abolished as soon as it possibly can be. I will give my own personal consideration to the matter, and whatever can be removed will be removed. I therefore feel that there is no radical point of difference between the official and unofficial members. Do you wish, sir, to put your motion to a division?

HON. MR. STEWART.—I have no particular wish to.

STAMP DOLLS RULES

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.—Sir, I beg to lay on the table draft rules under the Stamp Boilers' Ordinance 1909 (Ordinance No. 52 of 1909). Under section 10 of the Ordinance the rules must be laid on the table of the Legislative Council and any rule which is disapproved must be by resolution of this honourable Council within six weeks after such laying. Hon. members have, therefore, six weeks to object by resolution to any of these rules.

TRADE MARKS AMENDMENT ORDINANCE

The COLONIAL SECRETARY stated that the Hon. Mr. STEWART had recommended the Council to vote a sum of Seven thousand five hundred Dollars (\$7,500) in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, Printing and Binding Miscellaneous Papers.

HON. MR. STEWART said the only other point was the question of inserting the words "Governor-in-Council" instead of "Governor."

The COLONIAL SECRETARY stated that under the existing law the matter was left in the hands of the Governor, and there was no reason why a change should be made to the Governor-in-Council.

MR. STEWART said the Governor meant the Attorney-General.

HIS EXCELLENCE.—No, the Governor can use his own discretion. He can use his own common-sense in the matter.

HON. MR. STEWART stated that in any case he would be advised by the Attorney-General, and would not have the advice the speaker suggested as being useful, at his disposal. The popular action would be, at any rate, that the Attorney-General decided the matter.

There were some people who disapproved of the Governor-in-Council being set up as a tribunal. He thought some of the lawyers were against it, but as far as the mercantile community were concerned, they wanted it.

HON. MR. STEWART said the idea of suggesting the Governor-in-Council instead of the Governor was to have a sort of wider board to discuss complex questions of this kind, and they based their proposal very largely on the Home Act. There they had not only the Courts of Law, but the Board of Trade, which was very much the same as the Governor-in-Council would be here. The Home Act provided an arbitration board, which was not so cumbersome or lengthy as Courts of Law, and was at the same time formed of experts. The Governor himself would be advised by only one or two of his officials. That was the point of the Chamber of Commerce.

HIS EXCELLENCE said the main point to be considered was the similarity between two marks.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY stated that in both of the existing laws there was no mention of the Governor-in-Council at all. The Trade Marks Ordinance had worked very satisfactorily, and there were no complaints from anybody except traders complained because it did not bring enough strict to the mill.

HON. MR. STEWART stated that after further consideration the unofficial members certainly thought it would be better to insert the words "Governor-in-Council."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY stated that under the existing law the refusal to register a trade mark by the Registrar is at the discretion of His Excellency the Governor. He submitted that the Governor was as well qualified as the Council to decide whether a mark should be registered or not.

HON. MR. STEWART.—Do I understand there is a question depending entirely on appreciation of the similarity between two marks?

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.—That is so.

HON. MR. STEWART.—I should think the more people we have, the decided that question the better.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.—I should think it would be much worse.

HON. MR. STEWART said he would always want moral support in such a case.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.—That is so. His Excellency stated that in judging of similarity and deciding on the granting of trade marks it was necessary to look through a huge number of large volumes of registered trade marks to see how near two resembled each other. He did not consider it necessary that this should be referred to the Executive Council.

HON. MR. STEWART.—Do I understand that they would bring the matter up again. They would now take his Excellency's decision. Council then resumed.

STAMP ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Stamp Ordinance, 1901."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

SQUATTERS' ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Squatters' Ordinance, 1890."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

EXEMPTION OF CROWN LEASES

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to exempt Crown Leases granted in respect of Foresters and submerged land in the New Territories from a certain condition imposed under the Foresters and Sea Bed Ordinance 1901.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY ORDINANCE

AMENDMENT

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1903, and the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1909.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

ORDER AND CLEANLINESS ORDINANCE

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Order and Cleanliness Ordinance, 1867.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

LIQUORS' LICENCES ORDINANCES AMENDMENT

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the withdrawal of the previous Bill, and the substitution of a new Bill which had been circulated to members. He then moved the first reading of this new Bill which was entitled An Ordinance to amend the Liquor Licences Ordinance, 1893, and the Liquor Licences Extension Ordinance, 1908, and to repeal the Liquor Licences Amendment Ordinance, 1902.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

HIS EXCELLENCE.—Gentlemen, with regard to this Bill I would just observe that in speaking to the resolution which was before the Council on 13th August last, and on other occasions, I promised that we should bring in a consolidated liquor bill at an early date. There were such a number of difficult questions in connection with this subject that it was pointed out to me that it would be advisable to defer the consolidation bill, and to bring in this Liquor Ordinance in the meantime. Consequently, alterations were rendered necessary by the amendment of the schedule which now replaces this resolution, and some other matters have been omitted which were in the bill withdrawn. It is not proposed to bring in the consolidated bill for twelve months' time, when we can consolidate the liquor licences in one bill dealing with the whole subject.

The Bill was read a first time.

His Excellency then adjourned the Council until Thursday next.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held, the COLONIAL SECRETARY presiding. The following votes were passed:

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of Seven thousand five hundred Dollars (\$7,500) in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, Printing and Binding Miscellaneous Papers.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OFFICE

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of Nineteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars (\$19,350) in aid of the vote, Harbour Master's Department, C.—Imports and Exports Office, Salaries and Expenses of Customs and Excise Staff.

JUDICIAL AND LEGAL

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of Three hundred and twenty-five Dollars (\$325) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, B.—Magistracy, Other Charges, Allowances of \$5.00 a day to the District Officer, New Territories, acting as First Police Magistrate in Hongkong.

WOMEN WHO NAG

Not long since a physician said he believed that, nine times out of ten, when a woman "nags" she is tired. Tired, marked you, not because of too much work, but too little strength, the physical and mental tire, the fagged out, feeling which is born of indigestion. That is the feeling of irritation, of nervous impatience, that makes women shrews, men angry brutes. Indigestion means a sort of starvation, and starving people are seldom pleasant company. The cure is food—not food that lies dead in your stomach, but food that is eaten with a relish and digested promptly, perfectly, just as a perfect mill grinds grain.

When your stomach is out of order, it cannot do perfect work. In such warm, moist conditions the stagnant food ferments and gives off poisons, instead of the rich nourishment that goes to build up and sustain good blood, muscle, nerve and bone. The poison first taints the blood and is thus carried by it all through the body, dulling the brain and producing biliousness, constipation, dizziness, wind and pain in the stomach, loss of appetite. That was the condition of Mrs. Maria Peacock of Plumstead, near Dumbarton, who wrote not long ago, saying:

"It is now between 17 and 18 years since I first used Mother Seigel's Syrup. My complaint was indigestion. My appetite was poor, the slightest exertion fatigued me and I was always drowsy—particularly after eating. Sometimes I was so dizzy that I was in danger of falling."

The drowsy and dizzy feelings are among the surest signs of the poisonous pollution of the blood. Poisons sometimes dull the senses and sometimes cause acute pain. The poison of Indigestion produces both of these effects. But Mrs. Peacock's letter goes on to say:

"However, a few bottles of Mother Seigel's Syrup thoroughly freed me of these ailments. I have never since been troubled with Indigestion, but I have often given the Syrup to my children for their ordinary ailments and always with good result."

Still another good result that Mrs. Peacock describes thus: "People who think Mother Seigel's Syrup good only for Indigestion are mistaken. Now that I am nearing 50 years old and my constitution undergoing the change common to that period of a woman's life, I find it is the only medicine that will relieve me. It has proved always a true friend to me and mine."

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Hongkong, 9th January, 1909.

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ARRIVALS.

CHIHLI, British str., 1,143, Lüding, 1st Dec.
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General and Co.—Butterfield & Swire.
CHIYUEN, Chinese str., 2nd Dec.—Canton.
CHIYUANG, British str., 2nd Dec.—Canton.
FEI, Norwegian str., 860, C. Wagle, 2nd Dec.
—Haiphong 29th Nov., Rice—Asgard,
Thoreson & Co.
GHENPALLOCH, British str., 1,434, J. Mason,
1st Dec.—Singapore 23rd November,
General—Joo Tek Seu.
GOELEN, German str., 5,150, B. Wilhelmi, 2nd
December—Bremen 20th Oct., General—
Hochstein & Co.
LINAN, British str., 1,352, C. C. Williams, 1st
Dec.—Shanghai 28th Nov., General—
Butterfield & Swire.
MEETUO, Chinese str., 1,339, J. McArthur,
1st Dec.—Shanghai 28th Nov., General—
C. M. S. N. Co.
MOKOJI MARU, Japanese str., 2,736, J. C.
Richards, 2nd Dec.—Kobe and Moji 27th
Nov.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
NANCHANG, British str., 1,062, Spink, 1st
Dec.—Ninghwang 23rd and Chieffoo 26th
Nov.—General—Butterfield & Swire.
SHINOKO MARU, Japanese str., 2,697, K. Soki,
1st December—Moji 26th November, Coal
—Atak.
YATSHING, British str., 1,424, H. Houghton, 1st
Dec.—Wuhs and Chinkiang 27th Nov.,
General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

Chengchow, British str., for Hongkay.
Chihli, British str., for Canton.
Chekiang, Chinese str., for Swatow.
Glenvallock, British str., for Amoy.
Glenvallock, British str., for Shanghai.
Cochin, German str., for Shanghai.
Haiyang, British str., for Swatow.
Hainan, French str., for Quang Chow Wan.
Kwangtung, British str., for Canton.
Lan, British str., for Canton.
Nanchang, British str., for Shanghai.
Pekoe, British str., for Australia.
Saguan, British str., for Haiphong.
Tsinwan, British str., for Saigon.

DEPARTURES.

2nd December.

HANGCHOW, British str., for Canton.
HUKAN, British str., for Shanghai.
KALGAN, British str., for Chinkiang.
KNIEBERG, German str., for Haiphong.
LOYAL, German str., for Saigon.
MEEFOO, Chinese str., for Canton.
MINELAUS, British str., for Saigon.
NINGCHOW, British str., for Kobe.
QUINTA, German str., for Bangkok.
STANDARD, Norwegian str., for Bangkok.
TAIWAN, British str., for Australia.
YATSHING, British str., for Canton.

The British str. *Glenvallock* reports: Fresh N.E. monsoon and fine weather.
The British str. *Linen* reports: Light variable winds at first, followed by fresh monsoon and hazy weather throughout.
The British str. *Glenvallock* reports: Nov. 26th, at 10 a.m., sighted a fishing junk on port bow apparently abandoned; bore down and inspected from a distance of about 20 yards, no damage observable, main mast gone, slight damage to port quarter, no signs of live observed after sounding steam whistled several times. Junk seemed to have drifted from an anchorage, position of direct lat. 8.40 N., long. 108 degrees 47 E. Experienced strong N.E. winds and rough sea from to Gap Rock.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

December 2nd.

KOWLOON DOCK—H.M.S. *Olier*, H.M.S.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SICILIA Capt. C. H. Watkins, R.N.E.	About 4th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DELTA Capt. B. W. H. Shaw	About 10th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON via USUAL PORTS	HIMALAYA Capt. L. E. S. Spicer, R.N.E.	Noon, 11th Dec.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG ANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	NORE Capt. G. Phillips	About 15th Dec.	Freight and Passage.

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E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1909.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SWATOW, AMOY and SHANGHAI	"KASHING"	On 3rd Dec., 2 P.M.
ZAMBOANGA, CEBU and ILOILO	"KALFONG"	On 3rd Dec., 4 P.M.
PAKHOU and HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 4th Dec., Noon.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 5th Dec., D'light.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 7th Dec., 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 9th Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 12th Dec., D'light.
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 14th Dec., 3 P.M.
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HAIYANG	SWATOW, AMOY and FOOCHOW.	FRIDAY, 3rd Dec., at 10 A.M.
HAIMUN	SWATOW	SUNDAY, 5th Dec., at 10 A.M.
HAICHING	SWATOW, AMOY and FOOCHOW.	TUESDAY, 7th Dec., at 10 A.M.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI via SWATOW & NINGPO	"CHOYSANG"	Friday, 3rd Dec., Noon.
SINGAPORE	"AMARA"	Friday, 3rd Dec., 3 P.M.
MANILA	"YUEN-SANG"	Friday, 3rd Dec., 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"FOOKSANG"	Tuesday, 7th Dec., Noon.
SHANGHAI	"YAT-SHENG"	Tuesday, 7th Dec., 4 P.M.
MANILA	"LOONG-SANG"	Friday, 10th Dec., 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LAI-SANG"	Saturday, 11th Dec., 3 P.M.
SH'HAL, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	"KUTSANG"	Sunday, 26th Dec., D'light.

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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
TAKAO, SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"SIAM"	On 23rd December.
COPENHAGEN, GOTHENBURG and	"CANTON"	About end of Dec.
BALTIC PORTS	"SIAM"	End of January, 1910.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPEHAGEN and GEN	"SIAM"	GEN and BALTIC PORTS

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1909.

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DESTINATION.	STEAMERS	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SADO MARU Capt. S. Hjordahl	6,500	WED'DAY, 8th Dec., at Daylight.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	HIRANO MARU Capt. H. Hasegawa	9,000	WED'DAY, 22nd Dec., at Daylight.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	S TANGO MARU Capt. A. Christiansen	8,000	WED'DAY, 5th Jan., at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA (DIRECT)	SHINANO MARU Capt. K. Kawara	6,500	TUESDAY, 7th Dec., at Noon.
SHANGHAI MOJI and YOKOHAMA	AKI MARU Capt. K. Sato	7,000	TUESDAY, 4th Jan., at Noon.
KUMANO MARU Capt. M. Winkeler	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sekine	6,000	FRIDAY, 24th Dec., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA (DIRECT)	MOYORI MARU Capt. J. C. Richards	4,000	FRIDAY, 3rd December.
SHANGHAI MOJI and KOBE	TANGO MARU Capt. A. Christiansen	8,000	WED'DAY, 8th Dec., at Noon.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	AWA MARU Capt. A. Keith	6,500	SATURDAY, 11th Dec., at Daylight.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	MISHIMA MARU Capt. A. E. Mores	9,000	SATURDAY, 18th Dec., at Daylight.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Saito	5,000	WED'DAY, 22nd Dec., at Noon.

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Date of Despatch from London. Date due in Hongkong. Vessel.
12th & 13th Nov. To-morrow. KwoongCHRISTMAS MAIL TO LONDON.
The following is the approximate date of arrival of letter mail at London—
VIA SIBERIA.December 3rd 6 p.m. (per s.s. Empress of India) due London December 27th.
The *Polynesian*, with the French Mail of the 5th November, left Saigon on Friday
the 3rd inst., at 4 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 6th December, at
daylight. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 2nd October.

FOB P.M. DATE

FOB	P.M.	DATE
Hongkong		Friday, 3rd, 9.00 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Friday, 3rd, 9.00 a.m.
Dalby		Friday, 3rd, 10.00 a.m.
Quang Chow Wan, Hoikow, Pakhoi and Haiphong		Friday, 3rd, 11.00 a.m.
Singapore		Friday, 3rd, 12.00 a.m.
Swatow, Ningpo and Shanghai		Friday, 3rd, 1.00 p.m.
Manila		Friday, 3rd, 1.15 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Shanghai		Friday, 3rd, 2.00 p.m.
Macao		Friday, 3rd, 3.00 p.m.
Singapore		Friday, 3rd, 3.00 p.m.
Shanghai		Friday, 3rd, 3.00 p.m.
Zambanga, Cebu and Iloto		Friday, 3rd, 3.00 p.m.
Manila		Friday, 3rd, 3.00 p.m.
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay		Friday, 3rd, 3.00 p.m.
Chinkiang		Friday, 3rd, 3.00 p.m.
Swatow		Friday, 3rd, 3.00 p.m.
SHANGHAI NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER (B.C.)		
SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE		
Empress of India		
Pakhoi and Haiphong		
Manila		
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui		
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama		

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TO-DAY.

2 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Household Furniture at "Hayter," No. 108, Peak, by Messrs. Hughes & Hough.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Monday, 6th December—Entertainment—
Merrymakers, at the Theatre Royal.Saturday, 11th December—Victoria Recreation,
Forty-ninth Meeting, at Reclamation Bay
Vivier.Friday, 17th December—Auction of German s.s.
"Fiume," at Cebu by Sander, Wieler & Co.

COMMERCIAL.

EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS,

December 2nd.

ON LONDON—

Telegraphic Transfer 182
Bank Bills, on demand 182
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 182
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 182
Credits, at 4 months' sight 182
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight 182

ON PARIS—

Bank Bills, on demand 219
Credits, at 4 months' sight 223

ON GERMANY—

On demand 178

ON NEW YORK—

Bank Bills, on demand 426
Credits, at 60 days' sight 426

ON BOMBAY—

Telegraphic Transfer 129
Bills, on demand 129

ON CALCUTTA—

Telegraphic Transfer 129
Bank, on demand 129

ON SHANGHAI—

Bank, at sight 75
Private, 30 days' sight 752

ON YOKOHAMA—On demand 851

Bank—On demand—Pesos 152
On SINGAPORE—On demand 74

ON BATAVIA—On demand 105

On HAIPHONG—On demand 74 p.m.
On SAIGON—On demand 74 p.m.

ON BANGKOK—On demand 883

SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate 311.45

Gold LEAF, 100 fine, per tael 55.70

Bar SILVER, per oz. 23.1

OPIUM.

December 2nd.

Quotations are:—
Malwa New \$1,300/1,350 per picoul.
Malwa Old \$1,360/1,400
Malwa V. Old \$1,410/1,430
Persian fine quality \$1,420/1,460
Persian extra fine \$1,250/1,300
Patna New \$1,390
Patna Old \$1,360
Banaras New \$1,420
Banaras Old \$1,420

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From December 3rd to 31st, 1909.

	HIGH WATER.	LOW WATER.	
Day	High	Low	
Week	Mean	Mean	
Month	Mean	Mean	
Year	Mean	Mean	
Fri.	8	No inferior high water	8 14 1 8
Sat.	9	No inferior high water	9 10 2 2
Sun.	10	1 12 0 2	10 5 2 4
Mon.	11	6 12 0 2	11 0 2 4
Tues.	12	6 12 0 2	11 42 4 6
Wed.	13	7 0 2 2	11 38 2 7

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL.

REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, December 2nd

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 3 p.m.
Barometer	30.12	30.22	30.11
Temperature	69	68	70
Humidity	65	68	44
Wind Direction	E	E	E
Force	2	1	1
Weather	b	b	b

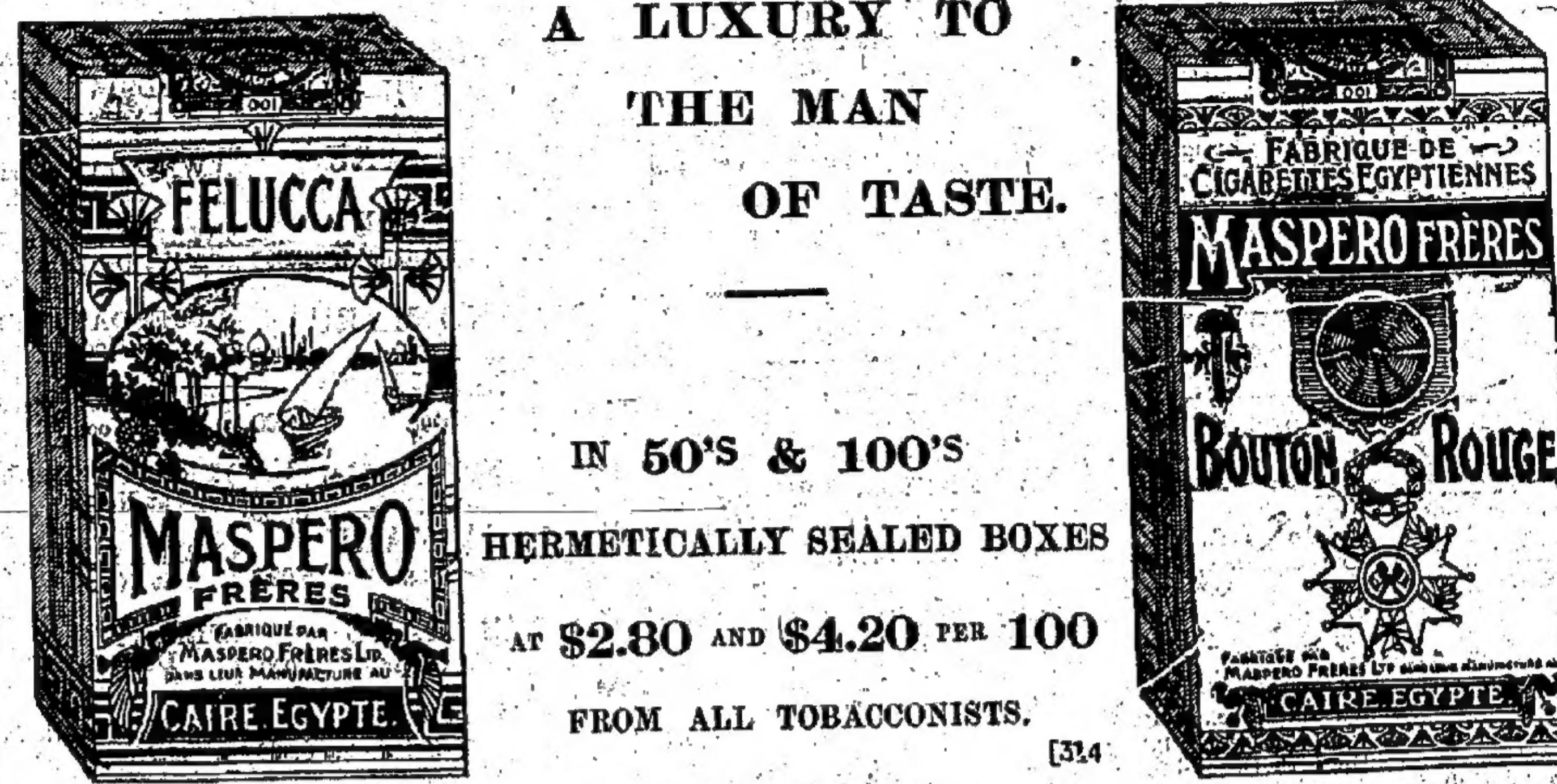
Highest open air Temperature on 1st 72

Lowest open air Temperature on 1st 68

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SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 2ND, 1909.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUATION.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$995, sales
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	27	\$6	\$65
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/5	12/6	\$10, buyers
Leitner	8,000	5/0	5/0	\$124, sellers
Saturday, 5th, 11.00 a.m.	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$124, buyers
Saturday, 4th, 11.00 a.m.	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$124, buyers
Saturday, 5th, 6.00 p.m.	50,000	\$11	\$11	\$124, buyers
Saturday, 5th, 9.00 a.m.	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$9.50
COTTON MILLS.				
Ewe Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 131
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$6.10
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 90
Laon-Kung-Mow Co. Spin & Weaving Co., Ltd	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 111
Soy Chet Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 430	Tls. 422
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$74	\$6	\$162, sellers
DOCKS AND WHARVES.				
Hong & Kowloon Wharf & Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$622, sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$552, sellers
New Amy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$63	\$63	\$93, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 76
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 120
Swanwick & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$111, sellers
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$7.50, sellers
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$210, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$20, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	8,000	\$50	\$50	\$75, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$180, sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$23, sellers
INSURANCES.				
Conton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1622, sellers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$114, buyers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$92, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$375, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$125	\$25	Tls. 100, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100</	